For Malice in Blunderland

The plainclothes cops of the tac squad who answered the WG call by accident did notice Baldwin on the Howard Johnson balcony. Barrett commented on it to his sgt. The sgt testified to tyis today. However, even though they later figured that had they been in a marked police car and in uniform they'd have made no arrest because Baldwin would have "made" (identified) them, they at no time made any investigation to identify and locate him!

They recognized this was no simple crime, no ordinary burglary. They recognized the equipment found on the culprits was sophisticated and unusual, but still no check on or for The Man on the Balcony.

Those arrested refused to make any phone calls. With none made, when the two lawyers came 9-9:30 Saturday a.j. they were not asked how they knew they were wanted. When these lawyers asked merely to see "the five men who were arrested", nobody asked them "What five men arrested for what, where, when?"

Instead of calling for help, these five cops went to the top floors because of a history of breakin there, not the 6th, where there was a similar history. They worked their way down. Two, that is. One was left at the entrance.

Given the kind of bldg WG is, the kinds of tenants it has, this was a bit dimwitted.

And why was anyone caught after all of this? Only because one of the derring do Cubans moved an arm down. The cops were calling to each other, walking around, switching lights on an off - making all kinds of noise. Yet the Cubans and McCord were not ready for anyone to loo into where they were. They had cabinets, desks, ect to hide them but they were not hidden.

Only the custard pies were missing.